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## Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

## Listing of Claims:

- 1. (Currently amended) A <u>purified</u> polypeptide encoded by a nucleic acid molecule at least 85% identical to a molecule selected from the group consisting of:
  - (a) SEQ ID NO:1;
  - (b) the fully complementary sequence of SEO ID NO:1;
  - [[(c)]] SEQ ID NO:2; and
  - (d) the fully complementary sequence of SEQ ID NO:2;
  - [[(e)]] (c) SEQ ID NO:3; and
  - (f) the fully complementary sequence of SEO ID NO:3.
- 2. (Withdrawn) The polypeptide of claim 1 that is encoded by SEQ ID NO:1.
- 3. (Withdrawn) The polypeptide of claim 1 that is encoded by the fully complementary sequence of SEQ ID NO:1.
- 4. (Withdrawn) The polypeptide of claim 1 that is encoded by SEQ ID NO:2.
- 5. (Withdrawn) The polypeptide of claim 1 that is encoded by the fully complementary sequence of SEQ ID NO:2.
- 6. (Original) The polypeptide of claim 1 that is encoded by SEQ ID NO:3.

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## 7. (Canceled)

- 8. (Currently amended) A <u>purified</u> polypeptide encoded by a nucleic acid molecule selected from the group consisting of:
  - (a) nucleotides 2-1999 of SEQ ID NO:1 (env);
  - (b) nucleotides 2452-4839 of SEQ ID NO:1 (gag);
  - (c) nucleotides 4871-8060 of SEQ ID NO:1 (pol);
  - (d) nucleotides 598-2169 of SEQ ID NO:2 (gag);
  - (e) nucleotides 2320-4737 of SEQ ID NO:2 (pol);
  - (f) nucleotides 4738-6722 of SEQ ID NO:2 (env);
  - (g) nucleotides 585-2156 of SEQ ID NO:3 (gag);
  - (h) nucleotides 2307-5741 of SEQ ID NO:3 (pol); and
  - (i) nucleotides 5620-7533 of SEQ ID NO:3 (env).
- 9. (Withdrawn) The polypeptide of claim 8 that is encoded by nucleotides 2-1999 of SEQ ID NO:1.
- 10. (Withdrawn) The polypeptide of claim 8 that is encoded by nucleotides 2452-4839 of SEQ ID NO:1.
- 11. (Withdrawn) The polypeptide of claim 8 that is encoded by nucleotides 4871-8060 of SEQ ID NO:1.
- 12. (Withdrawn) The polypeptide of claim 8 that is encoded by nucleotides 598-2169 of SEQ ID NO:2.
- 13. (Withdrawn) The polypeptide of claim 8 that is encoded by nucleotides 2320-4737 of SEQ ID NO:2.

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14. (Withdrawn) The polypeptide of claim 8 that is encoded by nucleotides 4738-6722 of SEQ ID NO:2.

- 15. (Original) The polypeptide of claim 8 that is encoded by nucleotides 585-2156 of SEQ ID NO:3.
- 16. (Original) The polypeptide of claim 8 that is encoded by nucleotides 2307-5741 of SEQ ID NO:3.
- 17. (Original) The polypeptide of claim 8 that is encoded by nucleotides 5620-7533 of SEQ ID NO:3.
- 18. (Currently amended) A <u>purified</u> polypeptide encoded by a sequence at least <del>15 base pairs</del> 30 nucleotides in length selected from a polynucleotide sequence, the polynucleotide sequence selected from the group consisting of:
  - (a) SEQ ID NO:1;
  - (b) the fully complementary sequence of SEQ ID NO:1;
  - [[(c)]] SEQ ID NO:2; and
  - (d) the fully complementary sequence of SEO ID NO:2;
  - [[(e)]] SEQ ID NO:3;
  - (f) the fully complementary sequence of SEQ ID NO:3; and

further characterized by having less than 70% homology with the corresponding region in human, mouse and primate retroviral sequences, wherein the last five 3' bases <u>nucleotides</u> are unique to the selected sequence.

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19. (Withdrawn) The polypeptide of claim 18, wherein the sequence of at least 15 base pairs is selected from SEQ ID NO:1.

- 20. (Withdrawn) The polypeptide of claim 18, wherein the sequence of at least 15 base pairs is selected from the fully complementary sequence of SEQ ID NO:1.
- 21. (Withdrawn) The polypeptide of claim 18, wherein the sequence of at least 15 base pairs is selected from SEQ ID NO:2.
- 22. (Withdrawn) The polypeptide of claim 18, wherein the sequence of at least 15 base pairs is selected from the fully complementary sequence of SEO ID NO:2.
- 23. (Currently amended) The polypeptide of claim 18, wherein the sequence of at least 15 base pairs 30 nucleotides is selected from SEQ ID NO:3.
- 24. (Canceled)
- 25. (Withdrawn) A polypeptide encoded by a sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO:4 through SEQ ID NO:74.
- 26. (Currently amended) A <u>purified</u> polypeptide encoded by a sequence at least [[20]] <u>100</u> nucleotides in length that hybridizes under <u>stringent high stringency</u> conditions to a molecule selected from the group consisting of:
  - (a) SED ID NO:1;
  - (b) the fully complementary sequence of SEQ ID NO:1;
  - [[(c)]] SEQ ID NO:2; and
  - (d) the fully complementary sequence of SEQ ID NO:2;

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[[(e)]] (c) SEQ ID NO:3; and

(f) the fully complementary sequence of SEQ ID NO:3.